

## DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

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This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of Title 10, United States Code, Section 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 28 July 1999. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

The Board found that you enlisted in the Navy on 25 November 1996 at age 32. Subsequently, while in recruit training, it was noted that you referred to petty officers as "underlings," you were not focused on recruit training and had difficulty accepting orders. Accordingly, on 21 January 1997 the commanding officer directed that you be separated with an entry level separation by reason of entry level performance and conduct due to your failure to adapt. Thereafter, on 24 January 1997 you received an entry level separation by reason of entry level performance and conduct. At that time you were assigned a reenlistment code of RE-4.

The Board noted that an RE-4 reenlistment code is authorized by regulatory guidance and must be assigned to individuals who are separated due to entry level performance and conduct. It means that you may not reenlist in the Navy without prior approval of the Commander, Navy Personnel Command. The Board thus concluded that there is no error or injustice in your reenlistment code. Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

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